

REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 19-24 are allowed.

Disposition of Claims

Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 10-14, 19-24, and 26 were pending in this application. Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 10-14, and 26 have been cancelled by this reply. Therefore, claims 19-24 are pending after the amendments. Claim 20 is independent. The remaining claims depend directly from independent claim 20.

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 10-14, and 26 have been cancelled without disclaimer or prejudice.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C § 112

Claims 2-4, 6-7, 10-14, and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicant believes that the terms "fluid" and "cavity" are inherently supported in the original specification as filed, at least by the disclosure of chemicals which may be mixed within the device, the disposition of such chemicals within the device in a location that is in fluid communication with a heat transfer element, and by the drawings. However, to further prosecution of this application, claims 2-4, 6-7, 10-14, and 26 have been cancelled in this response without prejudice or disclaimer, rendering this rejection moot. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C § 102

Claims 10, 14 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by U.S.

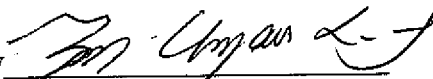
Patent No. 3,782,366 issued to Brown. Claims 10, 14 and 26, are cancelled in this response without prejudice or disclaimer, rendering this rejection moot. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicant believes this reply is fully responsive to all outstanding issues and places this application in condition for allowance. If this belief is incorrect, or other issues arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned or his associates at the telephone number listed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 50-0591 (Reference No. 17090/002001).

Respectfully submitted,

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